

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2005-231-C - ORDER NO. 2006-28
JANUARY 19, 2006

IN RE: Application of Vanco Direct USA, LLC for a)	ORDER GRANTING
Certificate of Public Convenience and)	WAIVER OF DEADLINE
Necessity to Provide Resold Interexchange)	
and Local Exchange Communications)	
Services, for Modified Alternative Regulation)	
for Certain Interexchange Services and for)	
Flexible Rate Structure for Local Exchange)	
Service Offerings.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Request for Waiver of the 120 day deadline for issuing an Order on the merits in the Application of Vanco Direct USA, LLC (Vanco or the Company), prescribed by S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-280(B) (Supp. 2004). This Code section calls for the issuance of a merits order within a total of 120 days when authority is requested for companies to be certified as new local telephone service providers. Vanco states that the Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) joins in the Request for Waiver.

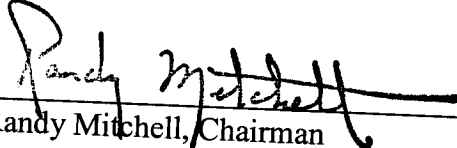
Vanco points out that the Commission has extended one or more statutory deadlines in recent dockets and believes that a waiver is appropriate in this docket for a number of reasons. First, the deadline established by the Code exists for the benefit of the parties. The parties waive their right to raise this issue in any appeal that could be taken from any Commission Order issued in the Docket. Second, Vanco states that granting the

proposed waiver would be in the best interest of all parties and the Commission, because it would allow adequate time for the parties to hold a hearing and attend to the remaining steps that precede a final Order from the Commission in the Docket.

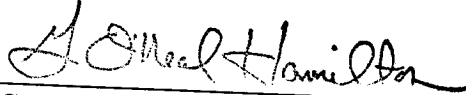
We agree with the reasoning cited by Vanco. We also believe that adequate time is necessary in order to take the steps to properly research and issue the merits Order in this case. Accordingly, the waiver of the 120 day deadline is granted.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:


G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman

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